

PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD'S DECISION

APPELLANT: JAS Forwarding (USA), Inc.  
DOCKET NO.: 05-25823.001-I-1  
PARCEL NO.: 08-35-104-072-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB) are JAS Forwarding (USA), Inc., and the appellant, by attorney Dennis M. Nolan of Bartlett and the Cook County Board of Review (board).

The subject property consists of a six-year-old one-story industrial building containing approximately 27,742 square feet of building area sited on a 64,829 square foot parcel and located in Elk Grove Township, Cook County.

The appellant, through counsel, appeared before PTAB and submitted evidence claiming that the subject's market value is not accurately reflected in its assessment. This evidence was timely filed by the appellant pursuant to the Official Rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board.

In support of this argument the appellant submitted seven sales of industrial buildings provided by an unidentified author. The sales occurred between April 2002 and October 2004 for buildings ranging in size from 20,000 to 49,524 square feet and sited on lots ranging from 53,572 to 128,729 square feet for prices ranging from \$655,000 to \$2,134,000 or from \$32.75 to \$46.80 per square foot of land and building. No analysis and adjustment of the sales data was provided by the author prior to the concluding estimate of value of \$1,139,800 as of January 1 2005. The author of the sales data was not present to testify to the submitted evidence or be subject to cross examination. Based upon this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment to reflect the reduced market value.

The board of review submitted "Board of Review-Notes on Appeal" that disclosed the subject's total assessment of \$271,480 which reflects a market value of \$1,696,750 as factored by the Cook

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Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds no change in the assessment of the property as established by the COOK County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$ 44,083  
IMPR. \$227,397  
TOTAL: \$271,480

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

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County Ordinance level of 16% for a class 6-63 improvement. The board submitted evidence in support of its assessed valuation of the subject property. As evidence the board offered five sales of industrial buildings that occurred between May 2001 and October 2006 for buildings ranging in size from 25,012 to 30,000 square feet and sited on lots ranging from 65,340 to 98,010 square feet for prices ranging from \$1,200,000 to \$1,500,000 or from \$46.05 to \$63.16 per square foot of land and building. The board also disclosed the subject was purchased in March 1999 for \$2,290,000. No analysis and adjustment of the sales data was provided by the board. No representative from the Assessor's Office was present to testify to the submitted evidence or be subject to cross examination. The board's representative offered no critique of the board's submitted sales data.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal.

When overvaluation is claimed the appellant has the burden of proving the value of the property by a preponderance of the evidence. *Property Tax Appeal Board Rule 1910.63(e)*. Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal, a recent arm's length sale of the subject property, recent sales of comparable properties, or recent construction costs of the subject property. *Property Tax Appeal Board Rule 1910.65(c)*.

The PTAB finds that the appellant's evidence has failed to meet this burden. The PTAB finds both parties submitted a total of 12 industrial sales that occurred between May 2001 and October 2006 for prices ranging from \$655,000 to \$2,134,000 or from \$32.75 to \$63.16 per square foot of land and improvements. The subject of more recent construction is valued at \$61.16 which is within the range of the unadjusted sales. The subject was purchased for \$82.54 per square foot.

The PTAB gives little weight to both parties' sales evidence because both lack analysis and a supported conclusion of value and thus insufficient evidence to effect an assessment change.

As a result of this analysis, the PTAB finds that the appellant has not adequately demonstrated that the subject property was overvalued and that a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.



Chairman



Member



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DISSENTING: \_\_\_\_\_

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: April 25, 2008



Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing

complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.